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SUBJ: IV MOHAMMAD HABBROUSH AL-SUWAIDI

REF: A. ABU DHABI 0526

B. STATE 083756

1. MIN STATE HABBROUSH CONFIRMED TO ME AT SOCIAL EVENT MAY 6 THAT HE HAS RECEIVED GREEN LIGHT FROM SHAIKH ZAYID AND UAE DEPUTY PRIMIN SHAIKH KHALIFA TO TRAVEL TO US UNDER IV GRANT IN EARLY JUNE. FINAL PUSH FOR HIM TO TRAVEL NOW, APPARENTLY PROVIDED BY HIS KINSMAN AND SENIOR COLLEAGUE FORMIN SUWAIDI, WHO AFTER DISCUSSING TRIP WITH CHARGE SAID FLATLY QUOTE THIS IS MARVELOUS OPPORTUNITY FOR HIM - HE MUST GO. UNQUOTE.

2. MAXIMUM TIME HABBROUSH ABLE SPEND IN US ABOUT THREE WEEKS AS HE MUST MEET KHALIFA IN LONDON LATE JUNE. HAVE MTG SCHEDULED WITH MIN MAY 8 OR 9 TO FIRM UP EXACT TIMING AND TO DISCUSS KIND OF PROGRAM HE HAS IN MIND. KNOW HE VERY INTERESTED IN VISITING US FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS OPERATING IN UAE, AND FNCB MGR HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH HOME OFFICE ABOUT POSSIBLE INCLUSION IN PROGRAM OF VISIT FNCB HEAD OFFICES. OTHER US BANKS OPERATING HERE THAT CERTAINLY WOULD WELCOME HABBROUSH VISIT ARE CHASE MANHATTEN, (HE RECEIVED ROCKEFELLER HERE RECENTLY) BANK OF AMERICA AND FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO. ALSO, MORGAN GUARANTY TRUST CO IS ADVISORY MEMBER OF ABU DHABI INVESTMENT BOARD, ON WHICH HABBROUSH IS PARTICIPATING MEMBER. BECAUSE HABBROUSH INVOLVED TO INCREASING

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EXTENT IN OIL ACTIVITIES AS RESULT FINMINY DUTIES AND ALSO
MEMBERSHIP ON ABU DHABI NATIONAL OIL CO. (ADNOC), BELIEVE
HE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN EXPOSURE TO OIL FACILITIES, PARTICU-
LARLY REFINING AND PETROCHEMICAL PLANTS, EMB INFORMED THAT UNITED
REFINERY OF WARREN PA HAS ALREADY EXTENDED INVITATION FOR HIM TO
VISIT COMPANY'S HOME OFFICE AND MAJOR REFINERY FACILITY
DURING HIS TRIP.

3. THIS CABLE INTENDED TO ALERT DEPT OF HABBROUSH'S ACCEPTANCE
AND GIVE FEW IDEAS OF KINDS OF THINGS WE BELIEVE MINISTER
INTERESTED IN SEEING AND DISCUSSING. WILL PROVIDE DEPT WITH
FULLEST POSSIBLE GUIDANCE FOLLOWING OUR MTG.
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